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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in a European Search Report mailed November 9, 2004.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 or after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311 or after any other action that closes prosecution on the application, but before the payment of the issue fee. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$180 for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). This statement is submitted as certified below under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1) or (2) by the undersigned.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) or §1.97(d), the undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application within three months of filing this statement.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(d), the undersigned hereby certifies that each item

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Disclosure Statement. Accordingly, no patent term adjustment is due for the filing of this

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information

listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy

of the European Search Report. Applicants note references EP 0766240, EP 1028421, EP

1172811, US 6030678, EP 0706178 and JP 8-127176 also listed in the search report were

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No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of

M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked

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Respectfully submitted,

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